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RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 19, 2008, with the threemonth shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 19, 2008, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Response after final at least because:

- (i) the arguments clearly demonstrate that the case is in condition for allowance and/or
- (ii) the arguments place the case in better form and simplify the issues for appeal.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.